

SPECIAL XMAS GIFTS

Cut Glass Water Sets
\$5.25 - \$7.25 - \$17

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\$4.00 and \$4.25

Butter Bowls Sugar Bowls
\$3.00 \$3.00

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\$2.50 \$8.00

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Alaska.

Oyen.

A Mattress Opportunity.



Awaits the man or woman who takes advantage of this sale. Mattresses, like everything else, have advanced in price, but this lot we are offering were bought by us before the rise and we are giving you lucky purchasers the benefit of it. Compare the make and the quality with others—then consider the extremely low price.

Oyen Hardware Company

Christmas Greetings

"The Old, Old Wish"

May you have a
Merry Christmas
and a
Bright and Prosperous
New Year.

Mason & Naismith

OYEN

ALBERTA

M. D. of Cereal

Council Meeting Minutes of December 10th, 1919.
Council met in the Municipal office in Oyen on Dec. 10th. 19.
Present: Reeve W. J. Ada, Deputy Reeve J. P. Rorabeck and Councillors Abbott, Church and Nichols.
Rorabeck—That the minutes of last meeting as read be adopted.

Correspondence read and disposed of.

Financial Statement presented by Treasurer was considered satisfactory.

Rorabeck—That By-law No. 31 re relief be read a first time.

Rorabeck—That the following accounts be passed.

W.A. Corrugated Culvert Co.	\$105.00
Empire Lumber Co.	28.00
Oyen Hardware Co.	45.00
F.R. Todd	35.00
Peterman Motor Co.	4.75
Alberta Government Telephone Co.	2.75
Class Street	3.50
W. H. Peterson	125.00
Boy Runnings	92.50
S. A. Miller and Co.	37.50

Abbott—That By-law No. 31 re relief be read a second time.

Nichols—That Roadwork Division No 4 Paysheet No 4 as follows be passed.

Ole Barnes \$15.75

Nichols—That Roadwork Division No 5 Paysheet No 5 as follows be passed.

A. J. Wood	\$25.00
W. M. Sanders	50.00
Church—That Roadwork Division No 6 Paysheet No 3 as follows be passed.	
Wm. Bishop	\$20.00
Church—That Roadwork Division 1 Paysheet 5 as follows be passed.	
Erle Linquist	\$40.50
Stanley Martin	30.50
T. M. Abbott	11.00
W. W. Ireland	30.00

Abbott—That the following accounts be passed.

K. Church, meeting and mileage	24.00
" Road Supervision	25.00
S. Abbott meeting and mileage	28.50
" Road Supervision	36.00
F. Nichols meeting & mileage	37.20
" Road Supervision	25.00
W. Ada meeting & mileage	42.00
" Road Supervision	36.00
J. Rorabeck meeting & mileage	40.80
" Road Supervision	36.00
T. Taylor meeting & mileage	30.00
" Road Supervision	45.00

Rorabeck—That By-law 31 providing for the issuing of relief be read a third time and passed.

Church—That the Soc'y submit By-law No 29 re impounding animal running at large and By-law No 30 being the Fence By-law to the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs for any changes that he would suggest.

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G. W. V. A. Programme

The local branch of the G. W. V. A. have arranged the following programme for the balance of the month.

A turkey shoot will take place in town on the afternoon of December 24th, followed by the regular Wednesday night dance at 9 p.m.

On New Year's Eve, a "Hard Time's Dance" will be given in the Opera House, commencing at 9 p.m., and continued till 3 o'clock New Year morning. Ladies are asked to bring refreshments which will be served about midnight. Everybody cordially invited to attend. Come along, join in the fun, and make this the very best dance in the two years.

Oyen Agricultural Society

Annual General Meeting

The annual general meeting of the Oyen Agricultural Society was held in the Masonic Hall last Wednesday when about thirty members were present.

The result of the election of officers was as follows:

President..... Rufus Cates
1st. Vice-Pres. ... A McQuarrie
2nd. Vice-Pres. ... Dr. J. P. Kerr

DIRECTORS

Sid. Abbott	Thos. Lees
C. E. Beard	Thos. McBrien
J. W. Cheyins	F. S. McNee
B. H. Dial	Dan. McQuarrie
Alf. Gibson	W. M. Sanders
R. E. Gillespie	A. E. Todd
E. Hallman	C. S. Wright
Eric Lindquist	

It was suggested at the meeting that in future the hog pens should be covered and that they be moved to the south side of the fair grounds, also that standard cages should be used for showing poultry.

A ceremony for this point again came under discussion, and this matter will receive the attention of the society in the near future.

Large Crowd Attend Entertainment And Dance at Superha

Quite a large crowd attended the Christmas entertainment and dance given at Superha school last Friday evening. Every feature on the program was purely seasonal. The various items given by the children were well received, and great credit was due the teacher Miss H. Spicer, for the pains taken in their training. After the programme was given, the chairman Mr. John Gripp announced the approach of Father Christmas who had come to present gifts to all the children in the room. This popular gentleman was certainly given a hearty welcome, and not without good reason, for not one child was allowed to go home without receiving an unusually nice present.

About 10.30 the ladies of the district served an excellent lunch, after which the room was cleared for dancing.

Seed Grain Fair

The fifth annual Seed Grain Fair, held in the Masonic hall, last Saturday was a great success. While the exhibits in some classes were not as large as in previous years, great interest was shown in the Fair, and some very fine samples were on exhibition.

The following is a list of the prize winners:

WHEAT
Red Fyfe—1st, H. Brinscomb, 2nd J. A. Sicklely.
Marquis—1st Austin, 2nd Sanders, 3rd F. Moore.
Kitchen-Sander, McQuarrie and Hess.
Any Other Variety—Cates, Kitch and Brinscomb.
Acheson Hardware Special—F. J. Austin.
Oyen Hardware Special—W. M. Sanders.

OATS
Victory or Seager—1st W. M. Sanders.
Banner—Sicklely, Cates.
Any other variety, McQuarrie, Sanders and W. A. Sicklely.
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The Seasons Greetings

To each and all in this

Community

We extend the old, old wish.

" 'Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year."

S. A. Miller & Co.

AND STAFF

GREETINGS

May your Christmas Season
Be filled with the joy of making others happy.
May it be sweetened by the affection
of those you love, and may the
New Year be a Bright
and Prosperous one for all,
Sincerely,

J. HOWARD ALEXANDER,

Business Broker & Notary Public,

ISSUER OF MARRIAGE LICENSE. Money to Loan

Main Street, Oyen, Alta.

Bowling News

Until further notice a Prize will be given to the player making the highest score in
Five Pins each week.

A very pleasant exercise, good for the health. There is nothing better than Bowling.

The Billiard Parlor

Will be found an easy place in which to spend an hour to break the monotony. Intelligent and willing service guaranteed.

Christmas Gifts

We have just received delivery of a fine assortment of Smoker's Requisites suitable for Xmas Gifts at very reasonable prices. Also a nice assortment of Purses and Pocket Books.
COME AND LOOK THEM OVER.

Archie Johnston

The Oyen Billiard Hall

THE OYEN NEWS OYEN, ALBERTA.

A paper published every Wednesday, at the instance of Oyen and its district.

Subscription in Canada, \$1.50 a year. Postage prepaid and Foreign, \$2.00.

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Display advertising rates given on application.

Changes for display advertising must be in this office by Monday noon for publication in the following Wednesday's issue.

CHAS. L. DUNFORD,
Editor

Wednesday, Dec. 24th.

"Examine your habits once a week and sort them out, cultivate the good ones and throw the bad ones away. Bad habits are like weeds and grow naturally—good habits are like vegetables and have to be cultivated."

Wishing Our Readers

Merry Christmas
And a
Happy New Year.

Agricultural Society

At the annual general meeting of the Oyen Agricultural Society the members showed their appreciation and wise judgment by re-electing Rufus Cates as President for the coming year.

Mr. Cates, who is one of the best farmers in this district, has always displayed a keen interest in the welfare of the society, and matters pertaining to successful farming and has proved himself an indefatigable worker. With Mr. Cates at the helm, again, the society is in very capable hands and in selecting him for another term in office the members have made a very happy choice.

He will be backed up by quite a strong executive which includes Archie McQuarrie as 1st Vice-president and Dr. J. P. Kerr as 2nd Vice-president.

If the district is favored with a good crop next year, we will confidently look forward to a very successful year for the society.

The Object of the United National Campaign

When the guns fell silent among the scarred battle front, the aspect of the world began immediately to change. Forces that I not particularly asserted of themselves during the long course of War, began again to assume their natural proportions.

The war had been waged with vigor and during that period the Church had given of her equipment and trained leadership to everything that would promote the war. In the Patriotic Society, the Red Cross, the Y.M.C.A., the Church has assisted, and the Church received very little recognition.

After the close of the war the various Protestant denominations began to see how best they could revitalize the Church. Each denomination considered its own problems, which were spiritual, educational, missionary and financial. Each Church

decided upon a Campaign.

It was then discovered that the objects of each denomination were the same, and so, following out the spirit of the age, a United National Campaign was proposed. This unity was not attempted for ecclesiastical church union, but to show to the world a united front. To show that the fundamental aims of the Church are similar.

To carry out this Campaign conventions have been held in various important centres, and meeting will be held it is hoped at every local centre throughout Canada.

The Committee is appealing to every Minister of the co-operating denominations to associate with his brother Ministers in quickening the religious life of the community. It is hoped that during the early part of January many meetings will be held. If each Minister would see each other Minister and get together they would arrange these meetings, much good might be accomplished for the Kingdom of our Master.

Lord Jellicoe at Logging Camp

Something out of the ordinary is required to stir a camp of husky woodsmen to thoughts of "billed" shirts and store "bixies" but this was supplied the crew of the Merrill, Ring & Moore operations at Duncan Bay, Vancouver Island, on Wednesday November 12th. Between 9 and 10 a.m. the battleship "New Zealand" with Admiral and Lady Jellicoe on board, steamed into the bay, anchored within 500 feet of the camp, and lowered a steam launch for the use of the distinguished commander and party, who lost no time in going ashore to see for the first time how logging is conducted in the home of big timber.

George Moore, boss of the camp was fortunately at the works and he gave the visitors a cordial welcome. After an inspection of the new buildings he took the party to the woods, where an enormous spruce standing the great logs being felled by the men and "skanked" in by the powerful donkeys. Admiral Jellicoe and a member of his staff bravely essayed the task of saving one of the forest giants and mounted the springboards but not being used to the brand of oil or something they failed to get the rhythm of the thing and wisely desisted after laboring diligently for a time. "That's harder than penetrating a German mine field," muttered his lordship as he reached the ground.

The visitors next spent a half hour watching a tall spar being "topped" and rigged, following which came a welcome call to dinner. B. C. camp fare and lots of it—goodness!—how every body polished their plates and sent back for more! Lady Jellicoe ate with the hearty appetite of a healthy British woman and was the first to finish.

That evening Manager Moore and men were the guests of Lord and Lady Jellicoe on board the "New Zealand." The crew had prepared "high jinks" for the woodmen and the stars paced off would all the ship's log to overflowing if recorded. Mr. Moore foundmost of the officers gathered in the Admiral's quarters, and during the night the battles of Jutland and Zeebrugge as well as various skirmishes not yet in public print, were fought over again.

The "New Zealand" remained at Duncan Bay three days to permit of the Admiral and party visiting Albert Bay on board the attendant fishery

steamer. While they were away the nautical and wood crews formed strong friendships and when the time to sail arrived the parting was marked by an interchange of many gifts and entreaties—Pacifique Const Lumberman.

Subscribe to the Oyen News, \$1.50 a year in Canada.

The Oyen Meat Market, F. LAKE, Proprietor.

Best prices paid for Cattle, Hogs, Hides and Furs. See me before you sell.

FRESH FISH ALWAYS ON HAND.

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Financial Statement and Annual Returns for the Village of Oyen

For Ten Months Ending October 31st, 1919.

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance from previous year	\$ 63.94	Grants—Peace Celebration	\$ 25.00
Municipal Taxes—Current	1,538.31	Postage, Printing and Stationery	37.13
Municipal Taxes—Arrears	239.32	Salaries	264.55
Supplementary Revenue Taxes—Arrears	64.34	Fire Department	476.25
Dog Taxes, Licenses and Fines	249.50	Health Department	254.95
Cemetery	78.00	Public Works	367.05
Proceeds of Notes	3,162.20	Debtors Payments	1,069.60
Overpaid on Taxes	111.25	Notes paid	2,529.92
Hospital Accounts	48.00	Union Alberta Municipalities	5.00
Advanced by Treasurer	15.53	Cemetery	10.00
		Refused Taxes overpaid	111.29
		Geo. Trevis	\$29.88
		A. Gibson	19.85
		Oyen School Taxes	\$ 1.01
		Dog Taxes	3.58
		Bond	2.75
		Fuel	86.00
		Bank Balance	303.45
	\$5,910.66		\$5,910.66
ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash on Hand and in Bank	\$ 303.45	Banks or other Loans	\$4,125.00
Uncollected Supplementary Revenue Taxes	124.40	Uncollected Supplementary Revenue Taxes	124.40
Other Uncollected Taxes	4,991.62	Due Dept. on account Supp. Revenue Tax	214.55
Fire Hall and Equipment	2,260.00	Collections	84.84
Land and other property	200.00	Due Treasurer	10.38
Miscellaneous	503.00	Debtors Coupons paid due	214.55
		Accounts payable	456.00
	\$6,415.58	Balance—Assets over Liabilities	3,397.78
			\$4,125.58

DEBTURE STATEMENT									
No.	Am't of Issue	Repayment Plan	Term	Rate	Redemption 1919-19	Am't.	Am't.		
1-2	\$1,550.59	Annual payment and interest	Yrs. From To	of Int.	Int.	Prin.	Redeemed	Unpaid	
3-4	1,324.00	Annual payment and interest	10	1914	1924	6	\$ 29.40	\$155.00	\$ 825.00
5	2,000.00	Annual payment and interest	8	1919	1926	6	\$ 23.40	155.00	\$ 825.00
							275.00	275.00	2,625.00

SUPPLEMENTARY REVENUE TAX ACCOUNT					
Total Valuation of Assessable Land	Current Levy at 1 Mill on the \$	Arrears	Added	Due Collected	Amount not collected but paid to Dept.
\$97,062.50	\$97.40	\$38.60	\$136.00	\$124.40	\$11.60

STATEMENT OF TAX ROLL AT OCTOBER 31ST, 1919

Total Current Assessment		Penalty Total Taxes Amount	
General Mill Rate—25 Mills			\$97,062.50
Special Mill Rate—10 Mills			
Amount of Arrears, 31st December, 1918;	1,416.55		
Penalty added 1st January, 1919	71.19		
Penalty added 1st July, 1919	71.32		
Tax Levy for 1919	3,494.50		
Total Taxes and Penalties to be collected	\$6,063.56		
Amount collected—Arrears	22.63		
Amount uncollected October 31st, 1919	\$ 4,991.62		

Estimated population—500.
I hereby Certify to the Correctness of this Statement. Dated at Oyen this 31st day of December 1919.

C. S. WRIGHT, Asst. Sec. Treas.
C. M. COOTE Auditor

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

Dr. H. C. Swartzlander
Physician and Surgeon,
Oyen, Alberta

John P. Kerr
Veterinary Surgeon
Graduate of Ontario
Veterinary College.

Main St. Oyen, Alta

J. J. Kelly, L. L. B.
Barrister, Solicitor and
Notary Public
Money to Loan
Oyen, Alberta

F. C. McClean
Barrister, Solicitor,
Notary Public

Agent for Holland-Canada Mortgage
Co. and Netherlands Transatlantic
Mortgage Company
Oyen Alberta

Knights of Pythias.

OYEN LODGE, No. 10, meets on the second and fourth, Fridays, of every month, in their Castle Hall, Masonic Hall Oyen.
Waiting members are cordially invited to attend.

Arthur Fry, C.O.
J. H. Alexander, K.R. & S.

I. O. O. F.

First Wednesday in the month will be Illiary Degree.
Second Wednesday in the month will be First Degree.
Third Wednesday in the month will be Second Degree.
Fourth Wednesday in the month will be Third Degree.

Dr. J. P. KERR, M.D.
ROBERT SMITH, Rec. Sec.

For Bargains in Farm Lands

See
P. T. WOODALL
Real Estate Dealer
OYEN - - - - - ALTA.

Sacred Heart Church.

Regular services will be held First and Third Sundays in each month at 10.45 a.m.

Rev. W. F. Bowen.

CREAM WANTED

Highest Price Paid
Weekly Returns
For Real Satisfaction Ship Your
Cream to

THE HANNA CREAMERY
HANNA ALBERTA



Watch for date of next visit.

NOTICE

All notices of dances, socials, institute meetings, etc., are charged for at the rate of 50 cents an insertion and all requests for publication, sent in by mail to this office should be accompanied by money order covering cost of insertion.

The Cold Weather Is Here

We are fortunate in being able to obtain a fairly steady supply of Coal and have at the present time a good stock of

Midland Lump

on hand. Get your supply in while the sleighing is good.

Our stock of Lumber cannot be excelled. If you contemplate building see us. Plans discussed and estimates cheerfully furnished on all building material.

Call and get your 1920 Calendar.

"Always at your Service."

Beaver Lumber Co.

H. Hancock,

Manager.

Horse Blankets, Foot Warmers, Overshoes, Mitts and Gloves.

Thos. Thompson,

The Harness Boot and Shoe Store

OYEN,

Alberta

TOURS

TO
Eastern Canada
NORTH
PACIFIC COAST
AND
CALIFORNIA

DAILY TRAINS

Any agent will assist you with your winter trip, quote lowest fares, secure berths and other accommodation.

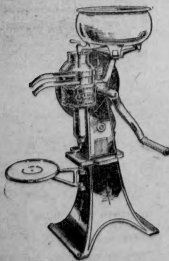
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District Pass. Agt. District Pass. Agt. District Pass. Agt.
Edmonton, Alta. Saskatoon, Sask. Winnipeg, Man.



Ever dollar counts this year, so why not install a De Laval Cream Separator And get the most out of your cows, let me put one in your home for a month and then see if you could do without it.

BATTEN BAILEY,

Lanfine,

Alta.

AGENT FOR IMPERIAL OIL LTD.

In Lighter Vein

'Sounds Reasonable

We are told that the first temperance society was formed in New England and its pledge read:—"We, the undersigned, believing in the evil effects of strong drink, do hereby pledge ourselves on our sacred honor that we will not get drunk more than four times a year: Master Day, Fourth of July, Thanksgiving and Christmas."

Was It a Star of Hope?

Reports of an unusual phenomenon which occurred at about 4:30 a.m. on Thursday morning, December 18th, (just after the world came to an end) from various people in the district, who were up at that time, coincide in description.

It is said by those who witnessed the demonstration, that at about that hour, what appeared to be a house or barn on fire was observed on the eastern horizon. The blaze seemed to flare up in a brilliant way and then die down again. This was repeated several times till finally, a star of exceptional brightness rose from the blaze which was visible for a few minutes before dying out.

Who's barn was burned last Thursday?

Have a Heart!

If a paper you are taking, Help the editor in making: If you like it, or enjoy it, Tell him now. Don't withhold your approbation Till the person makes a mistake. And he lies with snow-white lilies Over his brow. For no matter how you shout it, He won't really care about it. He won't know how many tear-drops You have shed. If subscription there is due him, Now's the time to slip it to him, For he cannot use the money When he's dead.

More than fame or more than money Is the contentment and sunny, And the hearty warm approval Of a friend. For it gives to life a savor, And it makes you stronger, braver, And it gives you heart and spirit To the end. But that will not pay for paper, Printing ink and high-priced labor, Hotel bills and railroad tickets, Daily bread. Send the cash in while he's living, Now's the time support be giving, For he sure won't need the money When he's dead.

Electric Vacuum cleaner for hire for 50 cents a time. Leave your order with the Peterson Motor Co.

STRAYED—From Excel one Roan Shorthorn Heifer, rising 2 years, Liberal reward for information leading to recovery. D.E. Berkby Excel, Alta.

Seed Grain Fair

(Continued from page 1.)

Mason & Naismith Special—J. A. Sicley.
Thos. Thompson Special—D. McQuarrie.

RYE

Any named variety—Sanders C.A. Gilders Special—Sanders.
FLAX
Primost—Gus Finstead.
Any other variety—Morrell, farthest.
S. A. Miller Special—Gus. Finstead.

POTATOES

Wes McGregor—R. Cates.
Cobbler—Sanders, Warwick.
Early Ohio Hess.
Any other variety, Cheavins, Sanders and Morrell.
Kerr & Alexander Special. Cheavins, Hess.
Best Collection of four classes including wheat and oats. Peterson Motor Co. Special—W. J. Sanders.

The Curlers' Corner.

Games For The Moffat Cup.

J. P. Kerr	0	Chas. Dalton	7		
Chas. Dalton	12			Lanron	11
J. H. Alexander	8	Wm. Lannon	10		
Wm. Lannon	11				
B. H. Dial	10	H. T. Lamont	15		
L. T. Lamont	11			Lamont	12
R. E. Gillespie	14	R. E. Gillespie	10		
E. P. Barbour	6				
Thos. Lees	9	Rufus Cates	9	Pat Blue	14
Rufus Cates	12				
S. A. Miller	6	Pat Blue	12		
Pat Blue	14				
		A. M. McQuarrie	7		
		C. A. Gilders	13	Gilders	5

The winners—H. T. Lamont (Skip), A. Fry, E. H. Church, C. V. Johnston.

The Beaver Cup Games

Kinderley Rinks Fail to Carry Home the Coveted Trophy

Two games of exceptional interest were played off last Wednesday, when rinks from Kinderley endeavored to take home the Beaver cup, Pleasant weather prevailed, and when the competing rinks arrived on the ice, a large number of spectators were present to witness the games.

The ice was keen but some what "cracky" and this latter factor was the cause of some big ends.

The competing rinks lined up as follows:

Kinderley Oyen

C. E. Rutley E. P. Barbour

I. E. Hahn Rufus Cates

P. J. Dixon H. T. Lamont

A. O'Connor Jack Naismith

Dr. J.W. Bleakley C. L. Dalton

A. W. Donnelly W. E. Lannon

W.H. Winstanley Thos. Lees

A. E. Martin "Art" Fry

The Games

C. E. Rutley 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 2 0 1 0 X 0

E. P. Barbour 1 4 0 0 0 2 1 0 3 0 1 X 12

Dr. Bleakley 1 3 0 5 0 2 1 0 1 0 0 0 13

Chas. Dalton 0 0 1 0 5 0 0 1 0 4 1 2 14

Oyen wins by seven points.

The Games by Ends

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 Total

Kinderley—1 4 5 11 12 14 15 17 18 19 19 19 — 19

Oyen—1 5 6 6 11 15 15 18 22 21 20 — 23

After the game the competing rinks were entertained at a banquet at the Stampedale Cafe.

Moffat Cup Final

The final game for the Moffat Cup was played off last Thursday when "Pat" Blue's rink was lined-up against H. T. Lamont's. The game did not prove the battle that was anticipated and Lamont and his men walked off with the "Bacon".

The mild weather, prevalent since the world came to an end last Wednesday, has been responsible for several games being postponed. The ice has been "soft" on and off since that memorable day and the schedule of games has been very much disarranged. The following games have been played up to date.

Crockett Cup Games

Kerr	3	Dalton	10
Lees	11	Gilders	7
Cates	Lamont		
Alexander	W. McQuarrie	1	
McQuarrie	lost by default		
Barbour	15	Lamont	8
Dalton	14	Miller	11
Tonight			
Dial	Gillespie		
Blue	Lannon		

CLASSIFIED ADS.

WANTED—To rent 200 or 300 acres of land for crop and stock. Write E. Byrth Oyen, Alberta.

FOR SALE—A LARGE QUANTITY of clean Banner Seed Oats, grown on Summer fallow and breaking. Fanned, Govt. grade No. 1. Govt. premium test, 60 cts. bush. Price for immediate sale \$10.00 a bushel in car lots in bulk, f.o.b. Wain, Alta. Apply to John K. Sutherland, Hanna, Alta.

\$10.00 REWARD—STRAYED from 35-30-5, one black billie, Clyde, spring colt 8 months old 2 white hind legs up to hocks, one front foot white to knee, white face. Finder notify Wellington Garbutt, Reel, Alta.

LOST—On trail south-west of Oyen on Sunday Dec. 21st, a blue felt saddle bag. Finder please return to Provincial Police, Oyen.

STRAYED—From Sec. 27-25-1, one yearling bull, color red, white on shoulder. Finder notify James Hardie, Oyen.

PURE-BRED YORKSHIRE BOATS.

For the season of 1919-20, I have secured a bear from the land of L. F. Cooper, Esq., Tagasko, Sask. The sire and dam of this bear have been Champions at Regina Summer Fair the last two years, and he is a first-rate individual. Service fee \$3.00 payable at time of service. Also some young pure-bred pigs for sale, of both sexes. E. H. Davis, Section 21-25-5.

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OYEN BRANCH, H. T. LAMONT, Manager.

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Balfour Regrets U.S. Cannot Go On to a Finish

London.—Arthur J. Balfour, "lord president of the council," in a speech in London on world reconstruction, said: "One of the greatest of our allies feel that they cannot go through with us to the end in this process of reconstruction. I think it would be a very poor compliment to my American friends to say we regard with indifference the fact that they have not seen their way clear to carry their own co-operation with us in this work of international reconstruction to the end."

Mr. Balfour described the part the United States played in the war as noble and disinterested, with no thought of national ambition. "We are grateful," he continued, "that I confess I had dreams that what so truly noble would be effectively carried through."

Mr. Balfour expressed the belief that the future of the world would be assisted incalculably if the great

English-speaking nations worked together in the cause of liberty and peace. "I know well in the case of liberty and peace American co-operation will still be forthcoming," he said. "I know they are not going to abandon us as a nation, and that no party in the United States is going to abandon these great ideals."

The speaker said he was bound to admit, however, that it seems more likely that "we cannot count on the full on direct action which would make the assistance of the great American democracy of to-day useful, should it be forthcoming."

"Therefore," Mr. Balfour went on, "and I know that what I say will not be misunderstood by my American friends, even by those most convinced that the true interests of their country lie in the opposite direction to me, a feeling of deepest regret that much of the common work between the two countries should come to an end before its full fruition could be enjoyed by the world at large."

Want Recognition Of Bolsheviks

British Unions Ask for Early Peace With Russia

London.—The trades union congress in session at London is calling upon the government to consider immediately peace overtures of the soviet government and raise the blockade between Russia and the outside world, and demanding the right for an independent inquiry into political industrial and economical conditions in Russia.

The resolution also instructs the parliamentary committee to appoint a delegation to visit Russia.

"Goes to Jail for a Friend."

London.—Kaiser has given his trench commander go down for ten days as a charge of intoxication, Sergi Janzer, a veteran of the war, who is in civilian, volunteered to take his place. The request was granted.

Huge Sum Required For Military Use

Ottawa.—Though Canada is back to the basis of peace, it may be deemed necessary to spend as much as \$25,000,000 next year for military purposes. Estimates of the Military Department are now under preparation, and the total stated covers the anticipated outlay upon the military.

It is an increase of \$15,000,000 compared with the anti-war period. The cost of materials, food, etc., is also heavily increased.

A report will be presented shortly as to the future of the Canadian militia, what units will be maintained and what ones discarded.

The carrying out of this plan will depend much upon the extent to which the pruning knife is applied to the draft estimates when revised by the treasury board and the government.

Coal Strike Settled

Men Will Return at Once With Increase of 14 Per Cent. in Wages

Indianapolis.—The strike of 400,000 bituminous coal miners of the country was settled today, when the general committee of the United Mine workers of America agreed to accept the plan offered by President Wilson.

The plan provides that the miners shall return to work at once at an increase of 14 per cent. in wages; that a commission of three persons, two appointed to investigate and determine within 60 days, if possible, a basis for a new wage agreement. The conference was made up of international and district officials and members of the executive board and scale committee of the organization.

German-Dutch Frontier Closed

Berlin.—The German-Dutch frontier has been closed to civilians.

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Canadians Are Given Broun Wood Site

Two Other Sites Also Presented for Memorial to Canadian Heroism

London.—Comte de Francoeur, governor of Broun Wood, has presented the site desired as a memorial to commemorate the gallant capture to the Canadian people, according to Gen. Hughes, who is in charge of the erection of memorials in France and Belgium.

Gen. Hughes, who has just returned from the continent, states also that he is assured that the Belgian government is preparing to present the three sites chosen, as specified in some small manner that the nation is grateful for Canada's sacrifices in the war. All arrangements have been made for the purchase of the three remaining sites in France.

Gen. Hughes is sailing to Canada on the Empress of France and will report progress to his department. An office has been opened at Arras. The general will return in the spring to begin the construction of roads and sites. Meanwhile, he understands, the government is to open competition for designs.

Flight Between Australia and England

Captain Ross Smith Wins Prize of £4,000 for Successful Performance

Port Darwin, Australia.—Captain Ross Smith, the Australian aviator, has arrived here from England, thus winning the prize of ten thousand pounds for the fastest flight from England to Australia, the distance of 11,500 miles had to be covered within 30 days.

Captain Ross Smith left Humber aviation field near London, at 9 o'clock, November 12, on his flight to Australia. On November 18 he reached Cairo, and on November 19 continued his flight reaching Delhi, India, on November 23. From there he continued east, through Baghdad, turning southward at that city, making a number of stops along the Malay Peninsula and in the islands of Oceania. He arrived at Boma, on Sumatra Island, near Java, on the evening of December 7.

Port Darwin is near the northernmost tip of Australia, being near the town of Palmerston.

Sugar Crop

San Juan, Porto Rico.—Two Puerto Rican central stations are now producing cane, the sugar from which will be ready for shipment in December 15. The new sugar will retail locally at 16¢ a pound. The last crop was sold at 14¢800, one of 70,000 tons larger than the new crop.

Reval, Estonia.—The Bolsheviks have begun a new offensive on the Narva front. After terrific artillery fire ten assaults were delivered upon the Estonian positions. All the attacks were repulsed, the reports state, with heavy losses to the Bolshevik forces.

Profiteering Not So Bad as Claimed

Board of Commerce, However, Will Prosecute the Guilty Ones

Winning.—The Board of Commerce has issued another written statement upon its policies, and it is as follows:

"The board is pleased to be able to state, as a result of its preliminary survey of business conditions that, despite high prices undoubtedly prevailing, profiteering, so-called—is not, in the board's opinion, as common, nor nearly as common, as many have charged or claimed."

"Business is in the main sound and honest, and the board has a confident hope that business men will be at the board's right hand now in the imminent business—trading and purchasing those among them, according to the new business ethics of this era, who have dishonestly profited."

The board further says that it has established an elaborate cost and price system. The board can and will try and promulgate policy or innocent certain classes of offenders. The board will welcome public, especially municipal, co-operation, and that profiteers and hoarders will experience relentless imposition of the appropriate penalties.

Would Surrender To the Allies

Ex-Crown Prince Rupprecht Is Now Ready for Extradition

Munich.—In a letter addressed to the president of the Bavarian Reichstag, former Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, who commanded German armies in Belgium and France during the war, and who is in Switzerland, offers to surrender himself in response to the demands of the entente for the extradition of German army leaders, provided that his action will bring about the release of German prisoners in France.

The former crown prince says the demand for extradition, in view of the fact that the judge and prosecutor are one, "is a mockery of every sense of justice." He volunteers, however, that if the entente insists upon the fulfillment of the extradition clause in the peace treaty before the German prisoners are released that he will present himself for extradition.

"Sacred" Rights of the People

Toronto.—The Citizens' Liberty League, which was organized to fight the Ontario Temperance Act, in connection with the taking of the referendum last October, Lieut.-Col. H. A. C. Machin, of Kenora, as its president, decided at its provincial convention here to become a political party. Its chief aim so far as Ontario politics may be concerned is to fight against "possible encroachments upon the sacred rights of the individual."

In proportion to its size, Belgium has more miles of railway than any other country.

Chancellor Says Austrian Nation Is Facing Starvation

Paris.—Austria must have help from the allies in order to save her from famine and bankruptcy, Chancellor Karl Renner, of the Austrian Republic, told the Associated Press in explaining his presence in Paris, where he came to present to the supreme council the situation which, he declares, faces his country.

"When I left Vienna, we had only 900 tons of flour for 6,750,000 people, a supply of six days only," said Dr. Renner. "Children are dying of hunger and cold in Vienna and 85 per cent. of those between nine months and three years old are suffering with rickets. The loss of weight on the nursing mothers is serious, owing to lack of nutritious food. For this reason it is of the utmost importance that supplies go forward at once, even while we are in Paris awaiting the result of negotiations for credits, because weeks must pass before supplies ordered now can reach Austria."

"By help, I mean such assistance as will facilitate our task of keeping the nation alive and at the same time fulfilling our obligations to the allied powers."

"We are now paying thirty pieces for everything we buy. That is to say, the crown has depreciated to one-tenth of its normal value."

At the same time, we have exhausted our reserves in securities and we have nothing left but the resources, which, according to Article 107 of the treaty of St. Germain, are mortgages to the allies for payment of reparations."

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He ended by expressing thanks to the allies for expressing thanks to the Austrians to come to Paris and lay before it the state of affairs as it exists in Austria.

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Consider Protection Of Three Nations

Paris.—Premier Clemenceau's approaching visit to London, which will place him in the British capital at the same time with Foreign Minister Salotti, of Italy, has given rise to speculation here of the possibility that questions of importance to Great Britain, France and Italy will be discussed there. These would have to do, it is suggested, with the taking of measures for the protection of the common interests of these three nations in question, in the United States does not ratify the peace treaty or the League of Nations does not begin functioning shortly.

There is even talk of the possibility of the forming of an alliance, with the object of securing the execution of the German treaty and affecting other subjects on the League of Nations program.

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Government Will Not Take Any Action in This Connection

London.—The British government does not propose taking any special measures in connection with the fall of American exchange beyond continuing its policy of withholding artificial support by borrowing abroad and doing everything possible to stimulate British export trade, according to Andrew Bonar Law, Lord Privy Seal, and former Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying to a question in the House of Commons.

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Local and Personal Items

Don't forget the G. W. V. A. regular Wednesday night dances in the Opera house to-night, and the "Hard Times Dance" on New Year's Eve.

Robt. Gardiner, Reeve of the M.D. of Golden Centre, returned from Calgary on Monday where he has been attending a meeting of the Hail Insurance Board.

A meeting of the Junior U. F. A. will be held in the Feasview school on Jan. 3rd, at 2:30 p.m. All members are requested to be present as there is business to be transacted at this meeting which concerns every member.

Mr. H. H. Spicer and his two daughters, left last Monday for Oids, where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

The annual meeting of Fairacres U.F.A. will be held on Monday Dec. 29 at 2 p.m. All members are urgently requested to be present.

Don't forget the G. W. V. A. Turkey Shoot this afternoon, Seventeen Turkeys! Come out and get your Christmas dinner.

Tom McGarry, who has been spending a few days in Calgary returned to town yesterday.

S. A. Miller autored to Empress last Friday to attend a Court Sitting at which he was a witness.

OYEN SCHOOL CONCERT

A concert of exceptional merit was given in the Opera House last night by the school children, and the pupils are to be congratulated on the excellence of their performance which reflects great credit on the teaching staff.

At the close of the concert Santa Clause visited the hall and distributed packets of candies to the children.

The programme, which was well chosen for variety is given below.

Programme

Opening Chorus	Senior School
Flag Drill	Juniors
Short Dialogue	Three Boys
French National Anthem	French Class
Boy's Drill	P. T. Class
Recitation	Joan Alexander
Dialogue "The Three Bears"	Juniors
Duet	Edna Johnson and
	Teresa Robinson
Recitation	Olga Crockett
Christmas Dialogue	Some Intermediate Boys and Girls
"My County's Boy"	Little Boys
Play	"The Heavenly Twins"
	God Save The King.

M. D. of Cereal

(Continued from page 1.)

Nichols—That we borrow the sum of \$850 from the Bank of Toronto for school purposes.

Roscoe—That we borrow the sum of \$2000 from the Bank of Toronto for Municipal purposes.

Abbott—That the Reeve and Treasurer be authorized to borrow the sum of \$1000 from the Bank of Toronto to apply the current indebtedness to the Hail Insurance Board.

Nichols—That C. M. Coote be appointed returning officer for Municipal Election to be held on February 27 for the purpose of electing a Councillor in Division 1, 3 and 5 of this Municipality.

Abbott—That the following persons be appointed Deputy Returning Officers. Division 1, R. Shaw, Polling Booth Hills School House. Division 3, P. Thomas, Polling Booth, Fairweather School House. Division 5, W. M. Sanders, Polling Booth W. M. Sanders house on N. ½ Sec. 4-28-5.

Church—That we do now adjourn to meet at the Municipal office in Oyen on Wed. Jan. 14th at ten o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Brown of Castro' are in town for the Christmas festivities and are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Cates.

The special Christmas service held in the Union church last Sunday attracted a record congregation. Musical numbers by the choir were exceptionally good and solos by Miss Marsh and Mr. Robt. Nesbitt were pleasingly rendered.

Under the auspices of the U. F. A. and U. F. W. A. a box social and dance will be given at Glenada on Friday, Jan. 9th. Ladies are asked to bring baskets.

Marriages

Gibson—McIntosh

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized by Dr. D. S. Dias at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Milliken, 682 University Drive, at three o'clock Wednesday afternoon, when Miss Katherine Margaret McIntosh, daughter of Mr. Joseph E. McIntosh of Saskatoon was married to Mr. Ernest J. Gibson of Craigmyle Alta, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Gibson, Beamsville Ont. The bride looked very pretty in a tailored suit of navy blue serge over a georgette blouse of sand. She wore a French hat of blue and taupe. The wedding march was played by Miss Gertrude Shose. The happy couple will spend a few days in Edmonton and Calgary before going to their new home at Craigmyle.—Saskatoon Star

Miss McIntosh was formerly an employee of the Bank of Hamilton for two years. Mr. E. J. Gibson was the first manager of the local branch of the Bank of Hamilton here and left the service of the bank to go over-seas.

Shaw—McLean

On December 17th, a quiet wedding was solemnized by James Hardie at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas McLean, when their daughter Stella Irene was united in marriage to Mr. Ignatius Shaw a farmer of the Oyen district. After the ceremony the happy couple left that evening to spend their honeymoon at Edmonton and other points.

Jorgenson—Garbutt

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Garbutt, Seal, Alta. was the scene of a happy event on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 10th, when their only daughter Vera V. became the bride of Mr. Alfred M. Jorgenson of Seal. The bride, who was given away by her father, took her place beside the groom under an arch of pink and white from which suspended two beautiful white bells. The couple were unattended. The bride's dress was of grey silk trimmed with white ribbed lace and pearls. Rev. J. K. Brown was the officiating clergyman, and Mrs. J. K. Spooner played Wagner's "Bridle Chorus" from Lohengrin. After the signing of the register the guests which numbered about thirty, sat down to a sumptuous wedding dinner. Those assisting at the tables being the girl friends of the bride.

The evening was spent in music and games, after which they all dispersed to their respective homes wishing the bride and groom a long and happy married life.—Contributed.

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